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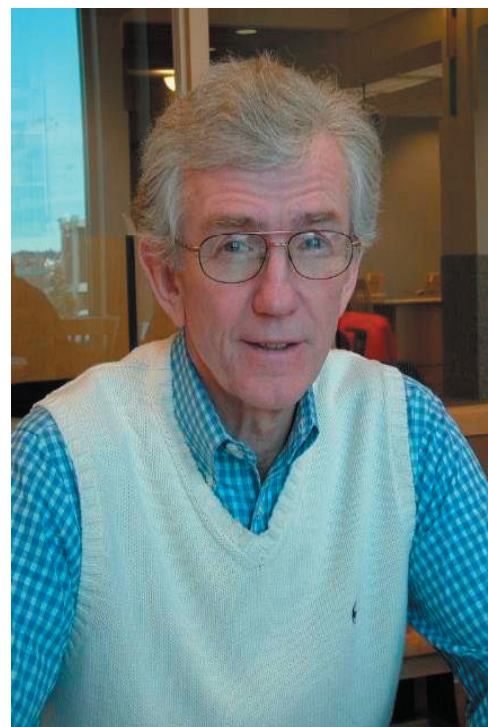
Meet Tom Wall, Ph.D., Board Member

I am honored to have the opportunity to serve on the Washington State Examining Board of Psychology, where I have been a pro tem examiner since 1992. I have had a long-standing interest in ethics and clinical decision-making. For example, in a 1991 article I expressed the belief that good ethical decisions and appropriate clinical decisions are “one and the same.” Having been in practice as a psychologist for thirty years, serving as a board member is another way to give something back to a profession that I have enjoyed. Hopefully I have made some small contribution to my profession, too.

I graduated from the University of Washington in 1974 with a Ph.D. in Counseling Psychology and was licensed in 1976. After several years, I joined the National Register of Health Service Providers in Psychology. I became active in the American Society of Clinical Hypnosis (ASCH). I served on the ASCH Board for many years and was elected President in 1991. From 1996 through early 2003, I was the regional workshop coordinator for ASCH responsible for their educational and teaching programs nationally.

Currently, I am a Clinical Associate Professor in the Department of Psychology and in Psychiatry and Behavioral Science at the University of Washington. I also volunteer with the King County Emergency Services Critical Incident Stress Management Program. More recently, I became an adjunct faculty member at Seattle Pacific University in their doctoral program in the Department of Graduate Psychology.

I am married to another psychologist and we are in practice together at First Hill in Seattle. We have two children in the honors program at Oregon State University where I serve as the chair for the Board of Regents in the Honors College. ◀



Board Soundings

Board News Letter:

This is the first newsletter designed for distribution by electronic media. We hope this media will provide a quicker reference for those interested in keeping up-to-date with actions of the Board and licensee issues. We will be featuring a short overview of a board or staff member to help readers get to know individuals better.

Proposed Records Retention Rule & Proposed Parenting Plan Evaluations Rule Update:

The Board continues to fine tune proposed rule language and to prepare various documents necessary for the rule-making process. Once a hearing date is obtained, a notice will be distributed to the Interested Parties mailing list and to persons who subscribe to Board materials via ListServe. If you did not receive this newsletter via ListServe and wish to sign up, please go to: <https://fortress.wa.gov/doh/hpqa1/hps7/psychology/default.htm>.

Exams Updated:

The Board completed the last Oral Examination on March 4, 2005 and is now in the final stages of moving to the written State Law Examination. Oral examiners and board members have developed a large test bank referencing the laws that govern the practice of psychology. This examination will be administered beginning this July in an open book format with each of the exams drawing a different set of questions from the different areas of the laws.

New Licensee Orientation

Last April, the Board conducted its second orientation for newly licensed psychologists. This session provided information about license renewal, continuing education and the complaint/disciplinary process. It also provided an opportunity for new psychologists to dialog with members of the Board. Feedback from the session was very positive, and future sessions will be scheduled.

Disciplinary Actions:

Disciplinary actions and copies of legal documents issued after July 1998 are posted online at the Department of Health's web site. The site also includes information about psychology and other health care provider's license status, including the expiration and renewal date of their credential.

Since the last newsletter, the Board has taken disciplinary action against psychologists:

Dr. Nathan Brown, Dr. Carlie Casey, Dr. Christopher Howland

Copies of these disciplinary actions are available at the following web site or by contacting the Department of Health's Public Disclosure Office:

https://fortress.wa.gov/doh/hpqa1/Application/Credential_Search/profile.asp

Public disclosure Office: (360) 236-4836

Articles of Interest:

In future editions, this section will provide a series of brief bulleted articles which might include an update on the Board's strategic plan, national issues, avoiding complaints, new trends in the profession and policy updates. This month's focus is on Continuing Education.

Continuing Education— *Reporting and Audits*

The Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 246-924-230 requires a minimum of 60 continuing education (CE) units every three years for licensed psychologists. These 60 hours must include a minimum of four credit hours in ethics. Every three years, you will be asked to sign an affidavit on the back of your renewal card attesting to the fact that you have completed the 60 CE units, including four hours of ethics training. If you have been asked to report your CE and you have not completed those hours due to illness, retirement, or other extenuating circumstances (RCW 246-924-330), you may request a 90-day extension for consideration by the Board. To avoid payment of the late penalty fee, please send your written extension request in with your renewal fee prior to the expiration date.

Each month the Department of Health conducts audits of CE compliance. Licensees are selected randomly and the practitioner audited will be mailed a notice requesting documentation of the completed CE. Acceptable documentation includes transcripts, letters from course instructors, a certificate of completion or other formal

documentation. In all cases, other than transcripts, the documentation must show the participant's name, the activity title, the date(s) of the activity, the sponsor of the activity, and the signature of the individual verifying attendance.

Once the documentation is received, it will be reviewed by Department of Health staff. If there are any questions or concerns, the licensee will be contacted and given an opportunity to respond. It is often difficult to determine from the information provided that ethics training has been taken. Please clearly identify ethics training when submitting your documentation.

Licensees will be notified in writing of audit results. Audits resulting in inconclusive or non-compliance results are referred to the Board and a course of action determined. The action may include informal disciplinary or other appropriate action.

If you have questions about CE or this article, please feel free to contact Kitty Slater, Program Manager, Continuing Education Compliance, (360) 236-4925 or kitty.slater@doh.wa.gov. ◀

Newly Licensed Psychologists

The Board would like to congratulate and welcome these psychologists recently licensed to practice in Washington State.

January 2004

Howard Aposhyan, Ph.D.
Aaron Belz, Ph.D.
Timothy Berry, Ph.D.
Elizabeth Braverman, Ph.D.
Virginia Haigler Broadhurst, Ph.D.
Hilda Campbell, Ph.D.
Jessica Chasnoff, Psy.D.
Astrid Davidson, Psy.D.
Christen Echelbarger, Ph.D.
Afsoon Eftekhari, Ph.D.
Lisa Estelle, Psy.D.
Michael Friedrichs, Ph.D.
JoAnne Gallucci, Ph.D.
Marisol Hanley, Ph.D.
David Hanson, Ph.D.
Mary Hatch-Maillette, Ph.D.
Davis Hayden, Ph.D.
Linda Jansen, Ph.D.
Virginia Johnson, Ph.D.
Junko Kozu, Ph.D.
Stephanie Kuffel, Ph.D.
Barbara Lucenko, Ph.D.
Robert Newell, Ph.D.
Sage Nottage, Psy.D.
Katrina Rays, Ph.D.
Jeffrey Reiter, Ph.D.
Bryan Robison, Psy.D.
Henry Schmidt III, Ph.D.
Scott Senn, Psy.D.
Robert Stough Jr., Ph.D.
Jane Kucera Thompson, Ph.D.
Michael Tilus, Psy.D.
Donna Weston, Ph.D.
Christinia Whalen, Ph.D.
Jennifer Wheeler, Ph.D.
Donald Woods, Ph.D.
Annie Wright, Ph.D.

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Brian Adams, Ph.D.
Sara Berns, Ph.D.
Margaret Beyer, Ph.D.
Anita Blair, Psy.D.
Kathleen Bruhn, Ph.D.
Bonnie Jo Christner, Psy.D.
Silvia Genel, Psy.D.
Ray Hendrickson, Ph.D.
Vanessa Honn, Ph.D.
Robert Hossack, Ph.D.
Wayne Hume Jr, Ph.D.
Theodore Johnson, Ph.D.
Annette Kennedy, Psy.D.
Amy Matheson, Psy.D.
Victoria McKeever, Ph.D.
Deanna Nuttbrock-Allen, Ph.D.
Maureen Pierce, Ph.D.
Mark Reger, Ph.D.
Elizabeth Sawyer Scovel, Ph.D.
Tracy Schultz, Psy.D.
John Schwab, Ph.D.
Jennifer Severns, Ph.D.
Stephan Tobin, Ph.D.
Jessica Tarantino, Psy.D.
Lori Thiemann, Ph.D.
Kimberly VanGoda, Ph.D.
Barry Ward, Psy.D.
Marcia Wesley, Psy.D.
Valerie Willman, Ph.D.
Elisia Yanasak, Ph.D.
Laraine Zappert, Ph.D. ◀

September 2004

Susan Anderson, Ph.D.
Mariam Araujo, Ph.D.
Benjamin Balderson, Ph.D.
Lynette Heim Bikos, Ph.D.

Karlaina Brooke, Ph.D.
Lori, Brotto Fontana, Ph.D.
David Frederick Callies Psy.D.
Kim Leigh Cargill Ph.D.
Nancy Cohen Ph.D.
Brent Collett Ph.D.
Joey Collins, Ph.D.
Emily Cooney, Ph.D.
Christmas Noelle Covell, Ph.D.
Stacie Craves, Ph.D.
Sarah Dale, Ph.D.
Marion David, Ph.D.
James Dillon, Ph.D.
Andrew Downs Ph.D.
Melanie Harned Ph.D.
Stephanie Hlastala Ph.D.
Heather Hopper Ph.D.
Debra Horowski Ph.D.
Trudy Iredale Ph.D.
Sunil Kakar Psy.D.
Debra Kaysen Ph.D.
Bruce Kenofer, Ph.D.
Mukti Khanna, Ph.D.
Kristina Kwon, Ph.D.
Mike Lee, Ph.D.
Frances Lexcen, Ph.D.
Robert Maurer, Ph.D.
Jeffery Mc Farlane, Ph.D.
Marie Mc Mahon Psy.D.
Carrie Mc Mullin, Ph.D.
Barbara Mesas Ph.D.
Scott Michael Ph.D.
Jennifer Moosman, Ph.D.
Andrea Neal, Ph.D.
Sandra Paulsen, Ph.D.
Jennifer Pelton, Ph.D.
Leslie Robinson, Ph.D.
Michael Sakuma, Ph.D.

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Amy Schultz, Ph.D.
Frank Seibel, Ph.D.
Richard Stokes,
Catherine Taylor, Ph.D.
Andrew Turner, Ph.D.
Philip Ullrich, Ph.D.
Heidi Vander Pol Psy.D.
Lila Vidger, Ph.D.
Deborah Wentworth, Ph.D.
Mary Wieneke, Ph.D.
Linda Young, Ph.D.

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David Bachman, Psy.D.
Todd Bowerly, Ph.D.
Sheryl Catz, Ph.D.
Valorie Correa, Psy.D.
Connie Craig, Ph.D.
David, Fentemaker, Ph.D.
Nicholas Giardino, Ph.D.
Kim Kenna, Ph.D.
Joan Kimball, Ph.D.
Catherine MacLennan, Ph.D.
Thomas Mitchel, Ph.D.

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Gary Snyder, Psy.D.
Phillip Snyder, Psy.D

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Hard copies of these items will continue to be sent only if requested. To request to be on the mailing list for hard copies of items, please contact our office. ◀

Future Meetings

Future 2005 board meeting dates: July 29, September 23, October 28, November 18, December 9
(Those interested in attending board meetings should contact the Board office just prior to the meeting date to check on location and/or verify any meeting cancellations.)

Feedback

Your feedback on this newsletter is most welcome. Please email your comments to janice.boden@doh.wa.gov.



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